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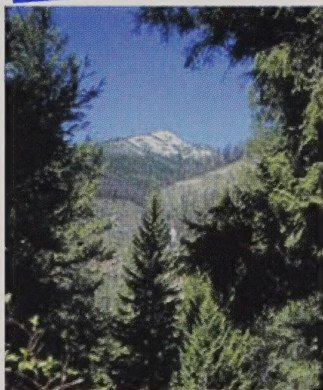
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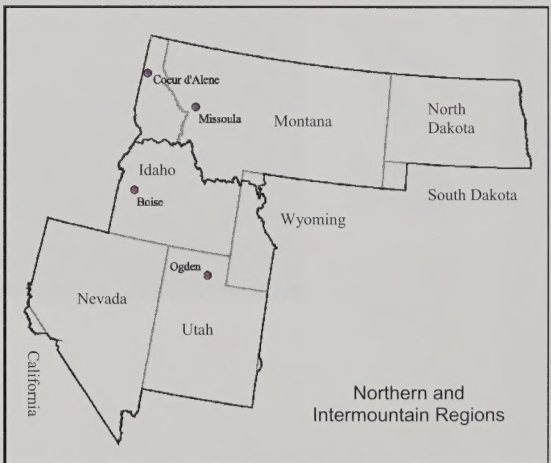
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About Us

The Forest Health Protection staff consists of entomologists, plant pathologists, foresters, other forest health specialists and technicians who have specialized skills and experience in:

- insect and disease diagnosis and management
- pesticide use and management
- forest health concepts, conditions, and trends

We help people understand the effects various agents have on their forests, the alternatives they have to influence those effects, and ways that treatments can be integrated to meet multiple objectives. Services are provided through two regional programs and four field offices. We implement our programs by working cooperatively with federal, state, and private ownerships in the Intermountain and Northern Regions.



We are committed to maintaining healthy sustainable forests.

What We Do

We provide services in the following programs:

- **Forest Health Monitoring and Assessment—**

Detect and monitor insect and disease activity; evaluate changes in forest condition; and assess resilience of forest ecosystems through collection, analysis, and reporting of data from permanent plots, aerial detection, and ground surveys.



- **Forest Insect and Disease Services—** Evaluate disease and insect situations; provide management guidance; participate in forest planning and forest plan implementation; provide technical and financial assistance for forest insect and disease suppression, prevention and restoration projects; and develop new technology for managing forest health.



- **Pesticide Use and Coordination—** Provide technical assistance, training and support to environmental analysis teams related to the safe and effective use of pesticides.



- **Non-native Species Management—** Detect, evaluate, suppress and/or assist with management of introduced pathogens and insects. Provide information and assistance on pesticides and biological controls used to manage non-native invasive plants.



- **Forest Health Education—** Provide scientifically based information on forest health issues to facilitate informed public participation in forest resource management decisions through training, participation in and development of a variety of information media.



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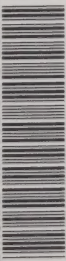
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USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service
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Private landowners
Academic Institutions, domestic and international
International resource, quarantine and research
organizations

*Our vision is
to work with
partners
to bring
together all
stakeholders to
protect and
improve the
health of the
Nation's
forested lands.*



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